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LIBERTY INCIDENT

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READSL 1. LIBERTY SECURITY SITUATION IS WELL IN HAND. WITH POSSIBLE

MINOR EXCEPTIONS (OWING TO IMPOSSIBILITY OF USING CUTTING TORCH UNTIL SPACES ARE GAS FREED TODAY) ALL CLASSIFIED EQUIPMENT AND MATERIAL REMAINING IN RESEARCH DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN RECOVERED AND SECURED. CRYPO EQUIPMENT IS ACCOUNTED FOR BUT CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF REGISTERED PUBLICATIONS ARE NOT INVENTORY OF THOSE REMAINING IS IN PROGRESS. MUCH MATERIAL WAS SUBJECTED TO OIL SOAKING AND MUTILATION AND COULD NOT BE INVENTORIED. ALL CLASSIFIED MATTER. WITH POSSIBLE MINOR EXCEPTION NOTED ABOVE. (WHICH INCLUDES 168 LARGE CANVAS BAGS) HAS BEEN STOWED IN SECURE SPACES UNDER GUARD. DESPITE FACT THAT ALL CLASSIFIED MATERIAL CANNOT BE ACCURATELY ACCOUNTED FOR AND LOSS AT SCENE UNKNOWN. CONFIDENT THAT POSSIBILITY OF COMPROMISE IS REASONABLY UNLIKELY WHILE LIBERTY EN ROUTE MALTA AND ZERO THEREAFTER. IT WAS A TIME

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SPECIAL HANDLING

COMINT CHANNELS ROUTINE NONE CONSUMING TASK UNDER DIFFICULT CONDITIONS BUT THOROUGHNESS THE HAS RESULTED IN MAINTENANCE OF HIGHEST DEGREE OF SECURITY INTEGRITY. ALL CAN TAKE JUSTIFIABLE PRIDE IN DEDICATION, WILLINGNESS, AND HIGH MORALE OF THOSE PARTICIPATING IN THE SALVAGE OPERATION.

- 3. PLAN IS FOR LIBERTY TO RETURN TO CONUS AFTER APPROX 3 VEEKS AT MALTA IN COMPANY WITH USS PAPAGO (FLEET TUG). THEREFORE RESTORATION OF CRYPTO CAPABILITY IN LIBERTY CONSIDERED UNWARRANTED AND WILL NOT BE UNDERTAKEN.
- 3. EQUIPMENT IN THIRD AND FOURTH DECKS INCLUDING RADIO 1, CRYPTO, COORD INAT ING CENTER, AND ITY MAINTENANCE COMPARTMENTS IS TOTAL LOSS. THAT IN SECOND DECK INCLUDING RADIO 2 AND RD CAN BE MADE 4. LT BENNETT IN CHARGE OF RESEARCH DEPARTMENT.
- · 5. REQUEST RADM RENKEN PERSONALLY BE INFORMED THAT SECURITY REMAINING REQUIREMENTS HAVE BEEN SATISFIED.

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